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DIARY NOTESExecutive Director-Comptroller*MTW*

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1. Tony Rabida of the Department of State telephoned to request a briefing for Ambassador John Bell who will be going to CINCSTRIKE. I asked [redacted] of the Office of Central Reference to arrange the briefing.

2. I had lunch with [redacted] who told me about his work on the DD/P history. He of course thinks he needs more people. I told him that I did not feel that we could allocate any more manpower to this effort at this time and that the system which he is now using, i. e., getting some work done on contract and using qualified people for a few months before their retirement, was the best way to proceed. It occurred to me that DD/I, DD/S&T, and DD/S were not making any effort in this field and that perhaps they should do so.

3. [redacted] telephoned to report that Phase I of REX-66, the Civil Defense exercise scheduled for this fall, had been postponed until May 1966. I announced this at the morning meeting.

4. John Clarke reported that Bob Michaels of the House Appropriations Committee staff came over this morning for a briefing on our Far East program, particularly the [redacted] supplemental request. Bill Colby was briefing Senator Brewster at the same time, and Joe Smith tried to substitute for him. John felt that Joe's answers to Michaels' questions were most unsatisfactory and that we probably lost a [redacted]

[redacted] (I want to talk with John Warner and John Clarke about this because we could have easily deferred Michaels' visit until Bill was available. In any case, I sense some friction between the two about liaison with the Appropriations Committee staff and I want to straighten it out.)

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5. [redacted] was in to see me about his new assignment in Mr. McNamara's office. He sensed that Mr. McNamara would want to transfer him to DOD. [redacted] would prefer to stay on CIA rolls. I told him that if Mr. McNamara wanted him to transfer, I did not see how he could resist. In such an event we will document his file to protect his re-employment rights here and to ensure that he is properly considered for competitive promotion. If Mr. McNamara does not raise this question, he will continue to remain on the CIA rolls and be transferred to the Office of the Director.

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6. I discussed two items with Dick Helms and Bud Wheelon.

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b. We also talked about the new NRO agreement and what components of the Agency will be responsible for sharing its implementation. Bud undertook to come forward with recommendations which would spell out exactly who or what component of the Agency had responsibility for the various positions of this agreement.

